

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to June 13, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7, 9 and 11-14.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 17 August 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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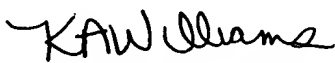
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THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 7/14/2005
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Len Diana on September 1, 2005.

The application has been amended as follows:

On page 5, Claim 1, line 3:

replace "the step of forming a first table describing the correspondence" with
"a step of forming a first table describing the correspondence".

On page 5, Claim 1, line 6:

Replace "the step of forming a second table describing the correspondence" with
"a step of forming a second table describing the correspondence".

On page 5, Claim 1, line 9:

Replace "the step of forming a third table describing the correspondence" with
"a step of forming a third table describing the correspondence".

On page 5, Claim 1, line 12:

Replace "the first interpolation step of forming a triangular plane OPQ which" with
"a first interpolation step of forming a triangular plane OPQ which".

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On page 5, Claim 1, line 18:

Replace "the first replacement step of dividing the triangular plane OPQ into" with
"a first replacement step of dividing the triangular plane OPQ into".

On page 5, Claim 1, line 19:

Replace "on the axis P0" with "on the axis PO".

On page 5, Claim 1, line 20:

Replace "in the transition from P to 0" with "in the transition from P to O"

On page 6, Claim 1, line 2:

Replace "from Q to 0" with "from Q to O".

On page 6, claim 2, line 2:

Replace "the step of forming a fourth table" with "a step of forming a fourth table".

On page 6, claim 2, line 5:

Replace "the step of forming a fifth table" with "a step of forming a fifth table".

On page 6, claim 2, line 8:

Replace "the second interpolation step of forming" with "a second interpolation step of forming".

On page 6, claim 2, line 15:

Replace "the second replacement step of dividing" with "a second replacement step of dividing".

On page 7, claim 3, line 4:

Replace "the method further comprises the third replacement step of" with "the method further comprises a third replacement step of".

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On page 7, claim 4, line 4:

Replace "wherein the method further comprises the fourth replacement step of" with "wherein the method further comprises a fourth replacement step of".

On page 8, claim 5, line 1:

Replace "A storage medium" with "A computer readable storage medium".

On page 8, claim 6, line 14:

Replace "as apexes O, P, and Q" with "as apexes O, P, and Q".

On page 9, claim 6, line 7:

Replace "in the transition from P to O" with "in the transition from P to O".

On page 9, claim 6, line 9:

Replace "from Q to O" with "from Q to O".

On page 11, claim 14, line 1:

Replace "A program for realizing" with "A computer readable medium storing a program for realizing".

Reasons for Allowance

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In addition to the teachings of the claims 7 and 14 as a whole, the closest prior art of record failed to teach or suggest, " in the formation of the data inside the triangle,

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interpolation for a color component corresponding primary color belonging to the triangle is different from interpolation for another color component, and the control corresponding to the output signal value of black is performed for a color component corresponding to the primary color”.

Therefore, claims 9, 11, 12, and 13 are allowable for depending on claim 7.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

Other Prior Art Cited

3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

U.S. Patent No. 6933970 to Koshiba et al disclose digital still camera.

U.S. Patent No. 5475510 to Ikegami disclose method and apparatus for transforming color signals.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Beniyam Menberu whose telephone number is (571) 272-7465. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00AM-4:30PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly Williams can be reached on (571) 272-7471. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is **571-273-8300**.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the customer service office whose telephone number is (571) 272-2600. The group receptionist number for TC 2600 is (571) 272-2600.

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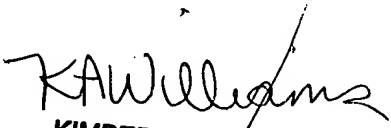
For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov/>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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